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Corner Stone Laying, New Gallaudet  
School, St. Louis.

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The corner stone of the new Gallaudet School, St. Louis, was laid with imposing ceremonies on the afternoon of Sunday, May 2d, in the presence of about fifteen hundred persons including many of the deaf citizens of St. Louis, ten of the twelve members of the Board of Education, the Superintendent of Instruction, officials of the Board and many prominent persons from the city and vicinity. The weather conditions were ideal and every feature of the program was carried out to perfection. The committee of the Board of Education having charge of the affair was composed of Emil J. Barth, chairman, Henry Heier and Louis A. Schollmeyer, Emil J. Kranz, president of the Patrons' Association of Gallaudet School, presided during the cornerstone program. The total cost of the new school in ground equipment and building will approximate \$600,000.

The cornerstone ceremony was preceded by a parade which formed along the north side of Tower Grove Park, some ten blocks from the school site. There were about one thousand persons in line, including the Gallaudet pupils, past and present, bearing banners and pennants, teachers, and patrons. Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Froning among the earliest pupils admitted to the school bore their class pennant with the figures "1878." A detachment of motorcycle policemen escorted the parade up Grand Avenue followed by members of the Board of Education and officials, Col. O. C. Smith of the Illinois School, and the Rev. Dr. J. H. Cloud, former principal, in autos. The marchers were headed by the Illinois School Band which rendered excellent music, eliciting much favorable comment as did their general bearing. Boy Scouts, Knights of Pythias, a representative group of the D. A. R., and members of the Alhambra Grotto with their ladies and men's drums and bugle corps and full band brought up the rear. The dazzling multi-colored silken uniforms of the Grotto aggregation made a fine spectacle to behold.

Aside from the place reserved for the corner stone the building had already gone up to the first floor, concreted, making an excellent elevation for speakers, musicians and others having to do with the program. The walls were appropriately decorated with flags and hunting, the work of Gallaudet teachers and patrons, earlier in the day. The program began at three o'clock with a salute to the flag and music by the Illinois band, followed by the invocation by the Rev. Dr. J. H. Cloud. Mr. Kranz then made a brief but felicitous speech welcoming the assembly to the auspicious occasion and thanking the Board of Education for its wisdom in making such excellent provision for the education of the deaf. He then read the following communication:

"The Vice-President's Chamber,  
Washington.  
April 29th, 1926.

Gentlemen.—I have been informed by Dr. James H. Cloud, President of the Missouri Association of the Deaf, of the plans for the laying of the corner stone on May 2d, at St. Louis' new school for the deaf.

The erection by the city of St. Louis of a modern school for the instruction of its deaf children is worthy of universal commendation. It is an outstanding indication of the increasing attention being given to those who are physically afflicted and I hope that the school will serve as a model to be followed by many of our cities.

Very sincerely yours,  
Charles G. Dawes."

Mrs. S. Hughes in behalf of the G. A. R. presented the school with a large silken flag, and introduced a veteran member of the G. A. R.—Capt. Langley, who spoke briefly as follows:

"As representative of the ladies of the G. A. R., who are here assembled, I have come this afternoon to add our little mite towards this ceremony. In presenting this flag, these good ladies have in mind that the young should reverence the flag—fight for it, if necessary, and when they grow up, they may respect it and say to themselves, 'I have been a good and honorable citizen.'"

Major Miller being out of the city, sent Mr. Jules Fields as his representative. In the course of his speech Mr. Fields said:

"We feel that this is a great occasion and want to congratulate you on this wonderful progress in education which you are taking. It is unnecessary for me to tell you what progress this city is making. This school is something that we are proud of. It will be a great thing for St. Louis. I want to congratulate you and the citizens of St. Louis in your efforts to make this a possibility."

Col. O. C. Smith, managing officer of the Illinois School for the Deaf, was next invited and spoke as follows:

Ladies and Gentlemen:—I am honored to congratulate the city of St. Louis upon this great forward step in the education of the deaf. It is a great pleasure to bring

the Illinois Band from the Illinois School for the Deaf.

I feel that we of Illinois are particularly interested in this particular ceremony, since one of the men who had led the school to a point where it became necessary to erect a new building is a graduate of the Illinois School for the Deaf. I refer to our Dr. Cloud.

I want to say to you that I hope that this marvelous building, when completed, will not be only a monument to the progress of this city, but will be an inspiration to those children who will gather within its four walls, and who will receive their education. I want to say that the time is coming to this country when all the afflicted children shall be entitled to an education to the same degree as the hearing children of our communities, and they are capable of being educated to the same degree as the hearing children.

Now when you have this fine building here, it isn't for you to point with pride to the building, because the building is not going to educate your children. You are going to place teachers who know how to teach. You do not want to have in your school any hobby teachers. We have in our profession at this time a great debate going on about methods of teaching. I want to say to you that I know that there are children, and many of them, that can not be educated by the oral method at all. As an example I want to refer you to a young man who is now one of the brightest and one of the most educated deaf men. He was sent to an oral school and was sent there two years and was sent home as a feeble-minded boy. He came to the Illinois school for the Deaf, and by signs was taught an education. He graduated from the Illinois School and now holds a high rank among deaf people and among the hearing people. I have no patience with any man that will try to deceive the public, and any man that tells me that all the deaf can be educated by the oral method is either trying to deceive me or is ignorant.

I had a meeting with some superintendents—we discussed this matter thoroughly, and we offered a prize of \$500 to any state school or private school that could show us a class of twenty pupils who could speak orally so that we could understand them. We have not paid that money yet.

Anybody who is in this work knows that when a child reaches the fourth or fifth grade, his desire for knowledge is so great that he wants to get it much faster than it is given to him. Signs are natural and signs are the things by which these children can obtain the knowledge as fast as they want it.

In conclusion, patrons of this school and officials of this school look well to these facts. Do not put in any body who has a hobby, but put teachers in this building who have the interest of the children at heart."

Hon. John Schmoll, Clerk of the Circuit Court of St. Louis, was the next speaker:

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:—

"It is indeed a pleasure, and I deem it a privilege, to come here this beautiful Sunday afternoon to assist in the laying of this corner-stone."

Dr. John J. Maddox, Superintendent of Instruction, St. Louis Public Schools, was the next speaker:

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:—

"I am called upon for a few words of greeting to you. I want to say that this gives me a great deal of pleasure."

Last July I attended a great national convention at Indianapolis. For two days the programs were devoted to just one subject—the progress of education in America. There was discussed the better ventilation, the better heating of schools, the better method, the better equipment; the more generous supply of books and material. But as I came from that great building, I had the feeling that there was just one thing that marks the progress in the last century, and that is the interest of the men and women in the individual boy or girl. They are not satisfied to have a school for one—the people of America are demanding that we have type schools for various types of boys and girls. There have sprung up schools for the crippled, for the tubercular, in addition to those for children who are slow and for those who are in advance. I consider the greatest step in progress in our city is the recognition of the fact that we must pay attention to the individual boy and girl and that is showing itself in our school room.

I am proud of the fact that I am superintendent in a city where the Board of Education and the citizens at large recognize that we need education, and I am before you today as your superintendent. I feel inclined to re-exert myself to the interest of childhood, and I am sure there is no teacher here today that does not feel a renewed obligation. I pledge my part and the teachers' best we can give you."

Mr. H. F. Fahrenkrog, President of the Board of Education, spoke as follows:

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"After hearing these splendid talks by men who know how, there is little for me to add.

We are about to lay the corner-stone of the Gallaudet School, which will be the finest of its kind in the country. Just a few moments ago as I passed along in the parade, I saw one banner which read, 'Help Us to Help Ourselves.' That is what we are trying to do. We are erecting a school here that bears the simple inscription, 'Erected A.D. 1925—R. M. Milligan, Architect.'

As interpreter of the oral addresses into the sign language, Miss Herdman rendered highly satisfactory service—a service in which she is unsurpassed. The teachers of Gallaudet, Misses Herdman, Steideman, Roper, and Dem, worked hard for the success of the occasion, making banners, grouping the marchers, and parading along with them. Of the Patrons' Association, Mr. and Mrs. Barth, Mr. and Mrs. Kranz, Mr. and Mrs. Long, Mr. and Mrs. Koenn, Mr. and Mrs. Stifler, Mr. Goetter, and others, were especially untiring in their efforts for the success of the affair.

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unless we give them this education they will pass through life a blank. So I believe that even in the darkest hour, when all seems to be lost, hope sees a star as they look into the distance and see the shining light at Gallaudet School. It will give to these people a renewed courage, and an ever-abiding faith in the goodness and mercy of Almighty God.

Now in conclusion, we who are assembled here will in years to come rejoice, when this school shall have spread a mighty influence over the city, and when those who have been made happy because their loved ones could obtain an education."

Mr. Ben Weidle, Member of the Board of Education, was the next speaker introduced and spoke as follows:

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"On this occasion I want to assure you as a member of the Board of Education, as the former president of the Gallaudet School Patrons' Association, I consider this not only a privilege, but I consider this a great honor.

"I want to say beyond my power of expression today—happy that I may exert my strength in behalf of the weak. The Board of Education, doing what the citizens of St. Louis are broad-minded American citizens? It means for one thing, that we are children of the great Creator, we are in duty bound not only to be in sympathy with the afflicted, but we are duty bound to help the afflicted, and the time in which to do so is now.

"Today we are about to lay the cornerstone of an institution dedicated to the education of the girl and boy who lives in the silent world. What does it mean to you and me as broad-minded American citizens? It means for one thing, that we are children of the great Creator, we are in duty bound not only to be in sympathy with the afflicted, but we are duty bound to help the afflicted, and the time in which to do so is now.

"I want to say to you that I am interested not only in my own deaf child, but in every child going to our public schools. Had I aspired to become a member of the Board for one selfish motive I would not have the right to stand here today. Nevertheless, my friends, let me say to you in all truth your Board of Education stands ready at all times to help all children wherever they may be.

"My friends, this wonderful structure is being erected for the purpose of helping all our deaf children. I never did believe that the afflicted should be isolated. We want to make it possible for these children to receive a proper education and fight the battles of life like normal children.

"I am honored and proud of the opportunity to refer to our good friend, Rev. Dr. Cloud, former Principal of Gallaudet School, who has given his life to the deaf cause.

"Dr. Cloud, as a member of the Board of Education, as a member of the Gallaudet School Patrons' Association, allow me to present our Superintendent, having in mind the responsibilities of his office, will see that this building is the most completely equipped of all the buildings for the deaf in the world. This building will speak for itself. We will be able to come to you, fathers and mothers, whose children are dearer to you than your own life, and say to you when this school is completed, 'This is the best we know how to do. This is as good as you can find anywhere.'

"As close, let me pay a tribute to Col. Smith, of Illinois. There we find the man, who has down in his heart the love of children, and you see the result in this splendid hand.

"Anybody who is in this work knows that when a child reaches the fourth or fifth grade, his desire for knowledge is so great that he wants to get it much faster than it is given to him. Signs are natural and signs are the things by which these children can obtain the knowledge as fast as they want it.

"I can value all the beauties of life, and sometimes I have the power of expressing my appreciation, but Miss Herdman (interpreting in signs) can talk at a greater distance than I can—not because she is a woman, but because she knows how.

"We are going to give every child an opportunity to be heard at least at the length of the room. If they have to make signs we will give them a few signs to make.

"I want to make a renewal of my pledge—an equal opportunity to every child in the city of St. Louis."

We will now proceed to lay the cornerstone."

A copper box was then inserted in the corner stone containing the following articles: Printed matter—Various issues of the DEAF-MUTES' JOURNAL, New York, containing historical data concerning the school; copy of the Silent Worker, February, 1926, containing a write-up of the new school by Dr. J. H. Cloud, former Principal; a copy of St. Louis Labor, issue of November 22d, 1924, containing the article, "Our Public Deaf School or Private Business Charity?" A statement by members of the Gallaudet Public School for the Deaf Patrons' Association; a copy of The Deaf by Dr. E. H. Currier; Review of the Survey of Gallaudet School by J. H. Cloud; Historical Sketch of Thomas Hopkins Gallaudet; biographical sketch of Dr. J. H. Cloud, former Principal; present list of enrolled pupils. Photographs: Delos A. Simpson, founder of the school, and for ten years assistant in charge; Robert P. McGregor, Head Assistant one year; James H. Cloud, Head Assistant in charge eleven years, Principal twenty one years; Misses Herdman, Steideman and Roper, teachers long in service; base ball team of the school in uniform; May pole dance by pupils of the school; pupils of the school in colonial costume for a school entertainment; pupils in costume, "The Overall Boys"; Pupils in drill postures; graduating class (Mr. Bloch, Mr. Handley, Miss Flaskeper, Miss Susman); St. Louis Division No. 24, N. F. S. D.; Deaf citizens of St. Louis; Women's Guild St. Thomas Mission. The first layer of mortar was spread by Dr. Cloud, who then handed the trowel to the President of the Board of Education, Mr. Fahrenkrog, to finish the job. While the mortar was being spread, the President of the Gallaudet Patrons' Association, Mr. Kranz, waved the new silken flag overhead. The ceremony closed with appropriate selections by the bears the simple inscription, "Erected A.D. 1925—R. M. Milligan, Architect."

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Dr. Cloud—I take great pleasure in presenting to you the trowel with which you

may lay the corner-stone of the new Gallaudet School."

The trowel used on this occasion was presented by the undergraduates of Gallaudet College, Washington, and will be preserved in a glass case at the school as a memorial of the occasion.

The speaking program concluded with the address of Mr. Emil J. Barth, Member of the Board of Education, Chairman of the Day, and former president of Gallaudet Patrons' Association:

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ously been received and published in the Official Report of the Board of Education for March 9th, 1926:

GALLAUDET COLLEGE  
THE PRESIDENT'S ROOM  
WASHINGTON, D. C.  
February 20, 1926.

THE PRESIDENT  
BOARD OF EDUCATION,  
ST. LOUIS, MO.

DEAR SIR:—

I am very much pleased to hear of the definite appropriation and the letting of the contracts for the construction of the new Gallaudet School in St. Louis. It is particularly interesting to the authorities of Gallaudet College because the school was named after this sole college for the deaf in the world, and because for so many years Dr. James H. Cloud, a graduate of Gallaudet School, served as Principal of Gallaudet School.

In the brief span of hardly more than a century, the education of the deaf in the United States has advanced from a point where the future of the deaf child was practically hopeless, because of the lack of special schools, to the point where the finest structures and equipment, manned with trained teachers, are provided almost at the door of the deaf child.

The Board of Directors and the Faculty of Gallaudet College congratulate the patrons of Gallaudet School for their interest in urging the provision of this splendid equipment for the instruction of the deaf children of St. Louis. They extend greetings and congratulations also to the Superintendent of Instruction of St. Louis and the Board of Education for their energy, their liberality, and far-sightedness, in erecting a modern school plant, from which will go forth deaf children largely freed from their handicap of deafness by the advantages of a good education, ready to take their places in the world and to prove, by their independence and success, the wisdom of the city in its educational progress.

Very truly yours,  
PERCIVAL HALL,  
President."

For the sake of historical accuracy, it should here be stated that Gallaudet School is named in honor of Thomas Hopkins Gallaudet, the founder of Deaf-Mute Instruction in America, after whom the college at Washington is also named.

The following communication from Dr. Nicholas Murray Butler,

## Deaf Mutes' Journal.

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EDWIN A. HODGSON, Editor.

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## COLORADO.

Fifth Reunion and Convention at Colorado Springs, June 3, 4, 5.

The fifth convention of Colorado State Association of the Deaf was a success in superlative terms. It was a success not so much because of a great attendance as of the real pleasure that fell to everybody's share, and without exception the parting comment of each and all was that they had the best time ever and lacked words or signs in which to express appreciation of the hospitality and goodwill extended.

The invitation to meet at the School in Colorado Springs was given by Supt. McAloney at the fourth convention in Denver two years ago, and forthwith and unanimously accepted. The two years passed quickly enough, unmarked by any great achievement, though the vigilance committee, headed by Frank A. Lessley foiled two attempts on the part of city officials in Denver to bar deaf persons from driving automobiles.

Efforts to induce Governor Morley to appoint a graduate of the School to the Board of Trustees failed, in fact both appointments made by the Governor to replace members whose terms had expired with Klansmen were declared void and illegal, and the gentlemen whom it was sought to relieve, one of them the very much beloved Asa T. Jones, continues to hold office until the next meeting of the Legislature in January, when the incoming Governor will have four appointments to make, the first occurrence of the kind in the history of the State.

An effort has been made to start an endowment fund, and it is confidently expected that at the next meeting of the Association in 1928, or in 1929, should there be a postponement on account of the great Frat convention in Denver July, 1927, announcement will be made that the fund is on a substantial basis.

The committee on resolutions, consisting of Emmette W. Simpson, Chairman, Frank A. Lessley, and Homer Grace, submitted a report that is unique in one respect. It is the first convention in the past third of a century of any State or national organization that makes absolutely no reference in its resolutions to educational methods. I have no copy of these resolutions which were ordered printed and engrossed, but all were of an appreciative or commendatory nature. That pledging support of the N. F. S. D. convention in Denver next year carried with it a donation of \$50.00 to the Denver local fund.

The local committee, consisting of Mrs. Veditz, Chairman, and Misses Young and Mawhinney, and Messrs. Herzberger, Petrie and D'Andrea, had things moving with clock-like precision. Rooms had been selected and assigned all who had given notice of their intention to come, and immediately on arrival each guest was directed to the library in the Argo Building, where Mrs. Veditz was in charge of the registration, and name, residence, occupation and length of residence in Colorado were entered in the same book that did service at the first reunion twenty-two years ago and also in Denver in 1924. Messrs. Jule Vaughan, and Vernon Herzberger of the local committee were constantly in service all Thursday afternoon, bringing guests who came by train to the School in their autos, in which they were ably assisted by Alex. Wright and Mr. Nilson, of the Faculty. They conducted the men to the quarters assigned to them in Palmer Hall, Misses Young and Mawhinney and Mrs. Wright performing a similar courtesy for the ladies who had

rooms assigned to them in the Girls' Hall.

Eighty-six in all were registered, among them nine graduates of Gallaudet College and several Exes, but as usual there were a number attending the several functions of the reunion who were not registered. The real glory of the School and its achievement is not to be found in the "semi's," who acquired their language processes through the ear, but in the bona-fide deaf who have performed the most difficult task acquired of the human mind—mastering through the eye a language intended by Nature solely for the ear, and who have since made good, not merely as citizens but as heads of families, in many cases splendid assortments of boys and girls who are attesting the truth of the verse of the Psalmist where he speaks of the happiness of the man who has his quiver full of them; who shall not be ashamed and who speak with the enemies in the gate." One, C. C. Lemasters of Pueblo, is one of these fortunates, for his eldest boy as a rising young medico, while another is an engineer getting \$4,000 a year. A glance through the registry of 1904 reveals some interesting facts. Thus Frank A. Lessley, of Denver, then registered himself as married, no children, while were familiar statistics recorded this year, it would be found that he has three fine daughters, one of them married and with a little girl of her own. The elder son of one of these 1904 old-timers is now a superintendent of manufacturing of the Osborne Company of Newark, N. J., the largest printing shop of its kind in the East, and a son-in-law has just completed a thirty-thousand dollars residence in Denver. Mrs. Pearl Jones, Mrs. Joseph Chedsey, A. J. Lamoreaux and Emmette W. Simpson are others who have raised interesting and useful families.

There had to be, of course, a pair of newly-weds, Milford McCamey, who had come to be regarded as a confirmed, dyed-in-the-wool bachelor, and Miss Margaret Peck having decided to make life's journey together only the day before the reunion began. They should have been more considerate and given the convention and opportunity to witness the wedding in the School itself instead of having the ceremony performance in Justice Highsmith's office. An acceptable wedding gift would have without doubt been subscribed to by their many friends at the gathering.

The ultimate test of useful citizenship is not so much in self-supporting industry as in the ability to raise a family that must be rated above par, and it is this that must serve as the real criterion of the value of American schools for the deaf.

At the exercises that opened the reunion Thursday evening, the speakers, with Mr. A. L. Brown interpreting, were Supt. McAloney, welcoming the delegates to the School, Major Victor W. Hungerford, proffering the keys to the City, Hon. Oliver A. Shoup, two times Governor of Colorado, and Asa T. Jones, treasurer of the Board of Trustees, whose interest in the deaf is proved by the fact that he had learned the manual alphabet and more than a smattering of the sign language and whose pleasant custom it has been to invite four deaf students of the School every Sunday through the school year, rain or shine, to dinner at his home on aristocratic Cascade Avenue.

Right here I beg leave to utter what I trust will become an axiom: Any hearing person, teacher or otherwise, who wishes to become of the deaf, for the deaf and with the deaf, must master their language, not merely to use it, but to use it like a native, the language of signs as used by Edward M. Gallaudet, Charles Wright Ely, Rose R. Harris, William K. Argo, and others of the old school, who held sway before the speech method tried to ostracize this language.

The exercises in the chapel were followed by a reception in the Girls' Hall, tendered by Supt. and Mrs. McAloney and the Board. I have a notion that this was about the pleasantest social function ever had by the deaf of Colorado, the deaf delegates and a multitude of hearing friends mingling in cheerful abandon where good-natured pleasantries was the keynote. Governor Shoup, Major Hungerford and several other prominent hearing guests distinguished themselves by mastering a number of signs to the great amusement not only of themselves, but of those who taught them and others who witnessed their efforts.

Friday was devoted entirely to the business of the convention proper, a session in the morning and another in the afternoon being ample for all reports of officers and committees, and the submission and adoption of a series of resolutions and election of officers. The writer was elected for a sixth term and will have with him on the board Fred Bates, of Eaton, first Vice-President, Mrs. George W. Huff, of Denver, second Vice-President; James H. Tusky, of Fort Morgan, Secretary; Leon Harvat, of Denver, Treasurer; and Mrs. Veditz, Emmette W. Simpson, Homer Grace and Frank A. Lessley, Board members.

Committees to serve through the next two years have been appointed as follows:

Vigilance Committee—Frank A. Lessley, William G. Henry, Samuel Biller, James H. Tuskey, C. C. Lemasters, A. J. Lamoreaux, George W. Veditz, Vernon Herzberger, Alex Wright.

Committee to Visit the School—The President, the Secretary, Frank A. Lessley.

Committee to see the Governor—Emmette W. Simpson, James H. Tuskey, Fred Bates, Frank A. Lessley, D. H. Wolpert.

Endowment Fund Committee—The President, the Secretary, Dulany Kenble, Frank A. Lessley, Mrs. George V. Huff, A. J. Lamoreaux, C. C. Lemasters, Emmette W. Simpson, C. A. Sparks.

Argo Day Committee—(Celebrate on Saturday, October 9th, or Sunday October 10th. Dr. Argos birthday is October 8th.)—At the School—The President, Mrs. Veditz, Miss Young, Mrs. Wright; in Denver—Mrs. Lessley, Mrs. Huff, Miss Wolpert; in Fort Morgan—The Secretary, Mrs. Tuskey, Mrs. Urbach; in Pueblo—Mrs. Jones, Mrs. Lamoreaux, Mrs. Lemasters.

Friday evening there was a banquet that the writer fully believed unequalled for pure enjoyment by any previous function of the kind he has attended, and he has attended many. The responses to the toasts were pat, in every way original and gems of their kind, and I regret that I cannot reproduce them for record.

MENU  
CONSOMME  
SARATOGA FLAKES  
OLIVES RADISHES  
CHICKEN CROQUETTES  
CREAM MASHED POTATOES PETITS POIS  
ANTLERS' ROLLS  
PINEAPPLE AND PIMENTO CHEESE SALAD  
WAFERS  
DELMONICO ICE CREAM STRAWBERRIES  
SILVER LEAF CAKE  
SALTED ALMOND MINTS  
DEMI TASSE  
TOASTS

Toastmaster Mr. George Wm. Veditz Our School ..... Miss Sadie M. Young Our Association ..... Mr. Frank A. Lessley Our State ..... Mrs. George Wm. Veditz Our Ladies ..... Mr. Emmette W. Simpson Entertainment by Mr. T. A. Green

The entertainment by Mr. Green was made possible through the courtesy of Mr. Asa T. Jones and consisted of a series of bewildering, puzzling sleight-of-hand tricks. Probably the most hilarity provoking incident of the whole reunion was the flabbergasted expression with which Fred Bates scanned a Himalayan rabbit that had just been dug out of his hair and given him to hold, and again a stream of real coin that came out of Harry Wopert's nose at the stroking of the magician's clever fingers. That banquet with its pleasant incidents should cheer the heart of all who were there through the balance of the year. Over one hundred and fifty covers were laid.

The last feature of the reunion was a picnic to South Cheyenne Canon, Saturday forenoon. This is the canon that contains the famous Seven Falls at its upper end, and though admission is fifty cents, Messrs. Weimer, the owners of the Canon, courteously extended the freedom of the canon and falls to the reunion. A large trolley car had been ordered to take a part at least of the crowd to the Canon, but when it was found that thirty-two automobiles were available, to say nothing of the trucks that brought the estables, this trolley car was dismissed as empty as when it came, and the whole joyous company crowded into the autos and the entire caravan, led by Trustee Jones in his big Cadillac touring car, and Mrs. Jones in her Chrysler limousine, bowled merrily through the city streets, along the smooth paved highway to the great Broadmoor hotel, and then on through the Canon toll gate, and the Canon straight to the first shelf of granite, that made further progress by wheel impossible, and where the cars were parked.

The falls were, of course, the objective and few there were, who did not ascend the 272 steps that led from the pool at the foot to the top, but still several thousand feet below the summit of Cheyenne mountain. The writer has made this climb many times, and years ago swore off, but this time he decided to try it once more and made his sixty-five years old legs carry his one hundred and eighty pounds aroindquoit to the top. No more, thank you. Dulany Kemble, the patriarch of the gathering, who in spite of his eighty-five years, had never attended a convention of the deaf before, was one of those who scanned the falls with a calculating eye, and decided that discretion was the better part of valor. Mr. Kemble is a wonderful old gentleman and the writer feels like taking off his hat and standing bareheaded in his presence every time he meets him, a deaf-mute gentleman of the old school, reflecting credit on past generations of the deaf and honor upon the present day product of our schools.

A cafeteria lunch was provided by Supt. McAloney at noon in the big pavilion in Stratton Park. Teachers and officers of the school, served as dispensers of the abun-

dance of good cheer that was spread on the tables.

One feature not on the program was the giving out of two and a half pound boxes of Pall Mall chocolates, as tokens of appreciation to those who had been conspicuous in providing for the comfort and pleasure of the guests. Mrs. Emmette W. Simpson, who was responsible for the idea, made a natty little presentation speech in each case, and each recipient was vigorously applauded. Supt. and Mrs. McAloney, Trustee and Mrs. Jones, Miss Griffin, the Matron, Miss McLean, the Housekeeper, Mr. and Mrs. Harbert, in charge of Palmer Hall, Mr. and Mrs. Veditz, Miss Young, Mrs. Wright; in Denver—Mrs. Lessley, Mrs. Huff, Miss Wolpert; in Fort Morgan—The Secretary, Mrs. Tuskey, Mrs. Urbach; in Pueblo—Mrs. Jones, Mrs. Lamoreaux, Mrs. Lemasters.

Sunday, May 30th, was even hotter than Saturday, but that did not prevent an even 75 "100% pe cent frats" from assembling in the Sac auditorium Sunday afternoon for an informal frat forum. The word "forum," taken from the Greek, means a assemblage where every man meets in equality and has his say. President Kemp of No. 1 presided, and announced the purpose of the gathering was to present "informal and impersonal ideas in boiled-down manner with no decisions made." From 3:15 to 5:30 some of the best brains in Fratdom discussed timely topics—and say, the enthusiasm and keen interest evinced would warm the cockles of your heart. Almost every one of the two dozen divisions represented had a personal problem, or partook in the discussion on the best ways to boost the organization and standardize business efficiency. Among the many speakers were: Kleinhan, of Niles, Mich.; Ware, of Akron; Hetzel, of Toledo; Pleasant, of Delavan; Holy Cross, of Columbus; Garrett, of Spokane; Benolkin, of St. Paul-Minneapolis; Bristol, of Flint; Kenney, of Detroit; Johnson, of Kenosha; Henry, of Toledo; Dolan, of Louisville; Cepe, of South Bend; and such Chicagoans as Gibson, Henry, Meinken, Disz and Ruskin.

This "forum" proved so popular that there was an unanimous demand for a second session to be held next morning, despite the heat.

That evening saw all records broken when some 750 souls jammed the Sac auditorium in defiance of the fire alarm—the Sac capacity is supposed to be 550—to witness Joe Wondra's frat vaudeville. It was unquestionably the best vaudeville ever presented by the deaf anywhere. The program, as printed by Bill Maiworm, follows:

FRAT JUBILEE VAUDEVILLE PROGRAM  
(Directed by Joe Wondra and Ladislav Cherry)

### THE FRAT ODYSSEY

(J. F. Meagher's original drama, supposed to be founded on the career of the N. F. S. D., and introducing Ruth Grange, age 11, the cousin of Harold "Red" Grange.)

### Characters in Order of Appearance

Happy New Year	Isabel Disz
Founder	Joe Wondra
Hunchback of Notta Damn	J. F. Meagher
Gibson	Herbert Gunner
Old Line Life Insurance	Elmer Disz
Miss N. F. S. D. (No. 1)	Ruth Grange
Laws	Elmer Disz
Banker	John D. Sullivan
Vice	Ruth Courtney
Gambling	Virginia Dries
Pleasure	Frances Wondra
Jealousy	Freda Meagher
Miss N. F. S. D. (No. 2)	Geraldine Gibbons
Joy	Jean Mack
Graft	William Maiworm
Teacher	Joe Wondra
Fake Patriot	Elmer Disz
Stock Peddler	John D. Sullivan
Flu	Helen Biens
Gloom	William Maiworm
Roberts	Ladislav Cherry
Miss Deaf Chicago	Anna Harris
Flaming Youth	Edith McCarthy
'100% Frat'	John D. Sullivan
Magic	Nels Olson
Yankee Doodle	Mrs. Wm McGann, Fred Kaufman, and Wm McGann
Frat Follies	Geraldine Gibbons, Jean Mack, Helen Biens, Agnes Fillinger, Ruth Courtney

### Intermission

I'm A Nut ..... Joe Wondra  
Why Not? ..... The Fred W. Meinkens  
Salina Sue At The Show ..... Betty Owens  
and Arno Steinweg

### Chicago Division Charleston

Flapper	Jean Mack
Sheik	Agnes Fillinger
Old Maid	Helen Biens
Country Boy	Geraldine Gibbons
Country Girl	Christine Hartel
Office Girl	Ruth Courtney
Little Sammy	Nannie Meagher
? ?	Joe Wondra with a Mystery Girl
Finalne and ? ?	A Special Silver Jubilee Act ? ?

### Chorus :

When a deaf man salutes us

And asks us for a walk,

Or asks us for an ice-cream dish

And asks us for a talk,

We do not ask if he is rich

Or wise, or young, or gray—

If so—we lie away.

### Fraters come from many towns

To see Chicago cheer;

They leave behind their business frowns

And blossom brightly here.

### Chorus :

And when our Jubilee is done

You Fraters choo-choo home,

I know you'll not forget our "pome."

### Chorus :

This song and dance brought out

the unfortunate fact that while

hearing souls can enjoy both a song

and a dance at the same time, the

deaf can not.

The beauty of the

performed by the young beauties

occupied all eyes; so much so that

only a little of Miss Gibbons' song was caught.

Miss Gibbons herself

## NEW YORK.

POLNITZ—MERKEL.

A school romance culminated in marriage, when Harry Von Polnitz and Edna Merkel were united in holy matrimony. At four o'clock, on Sunday, June 20th, in the beautiful home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Merkel, the bride escorted by her father entered the tastily decorated parlor. She was met by the groom, both advancing to the strains of Lohengrin's wedding march. At the side of the bride was her sister and at the side of the groom an intimate friend, Henry J. Ohland, when the officiating clergyman, the Rev. Arthur Boll, began the ceremony. Both the groom and the bride are products of the oral school and, answered the questions put by word of mouth and by signs. Their repetition of the words: "I thee wed and plight thee my troth in every duty, not to part from thee till death us do part," were plainly audible and intelligible to every one of the gathering, which filled parlor, enclosed porch, and the hall. The guests were almost exclusively of the Voltz, Merkel, and the Von Polnitz relationship. After the ceremony and the usual congratulations the time was agreeably passed with music, singing, and in conversation. The ready wit of the sister-in-law of the bride kept the guests in a jolly mood. Then they were bidden to march to the sumptuous wedding supper, where toasts were made to the bride and the groom. May these wishes come true, and the married life of the young couple be as serene and as pleasant as the day was balmy. The gifts are too numerous to mention. But we cannot forbear calling attention to the handsome Bible, given to the young couple by members of the Lutheran Mission for the Deaf and the Guild. May they let the divine word be a lamp unto their feet and a light unto their path. The felicitations of the Guild were offered by Caroline Hagermann and Rev. Arthur Boll. After the supper the couple went on their honeymoon to the Thousand Islands. How well they escaped the pranks played on newlyweds the writer cannot report, because he was not present. However, to judge by the plans and preparations made they could not have escaped them entirely. Mr. H. Von Polnitz is an electrotypist by occupation. The newlyweds will make their home in Woodhaven.

### CAPELLE—CROFTON.

A pretty June wedding was solemnized on Sunday evening, June 20th, 1926, at St. Mary's Episcopal Church, Alexander Avenue and 142d Street, when Miss Charlotte Crofton was united in marriage to Mr. Francis A. Capelle, the youngest son of Mr. Anthony Capelle. The officiating minister was Rev. Frank R. Jones, who by the way has a deaf son, oral taught. The maid of honor was Miss Emily Rimmer, the bridesmaid Misses Theresa Thomas, Helen Spetseris, Beatrice La Marche and Ella Ludwig. The bestman was Mr. Walter C. Parkes, the groom's brother-in-law. Mr. Edward Crofton, the bride's brother, gave her away.

In the church there was about two hundred present.

At the reception held in the "Blue Room," at 161st Street and Third Avenue, there were about one hundred, who after a light repast held merriment till the wee hours of the morning, dancing and singing.

Among the deaf present, besides the groom's father were: Mr. and Mrs. Max Miller, Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Cohn, Mr. E. A. Hodgson, Mr. Samuel Frankenheimer, Miss Sally Karten.

### PONTE-BURROUGHS.

The awaited marriage of Miss Clara Burroughs and Mr. Anthony Ponte took place Saturday afternoon, June 26th, at three o'clock. The ceremony occurred in St. Vincent Ferrer Roman Catholic Church, 66th Street and Lexington Avenue. Rev. Father Christopher was officiating.

Mr. Ponte, a graduate of the Lexington School, attended St. Vincent's as a pupil, and his bride is also a member of the congregation.

Mr. Joseph Mortiller was bestman, while the bridesmaid was Mrs. Dorothy Barclay, a sister of the bride.

After the ceremony was performed, the happy couple, with their relatives and friends, had a delicious supper at Guffanti's, and then continued to make merry at the groom's house in Brooklyn, until the newlyweds left for their honeymoon, "somewhere in the U. S. A."

Some people still think that deafness can be cured, as the following taken from the New York American shows:

### CULT LEADER SUED OVER DEAF-MUTE BOY

Ernest Grossman, cult leader, was sued in the Supreme Court yesterday by Mrs. Jesse Armstrong.

She seeks to recover \$5,652 said to have been paid to disciples of Grossman to cure her son Ray of dumbness and deafness.

The following is taken from the New York *Herald-Tribune*, of Sunday, July 4th:

For five deaf-mutes' the day was anything, but a success. They were riding home on the last car of a crowded Brighton Beach train, talking in gestures, when a gang of thugs pulled guns as the train entered the Ocean Parkway Station and beat them. The jammed car was thrown into a panic. As the doors opened the crowd bulged out onto the platform. Dominick Capazzelli, conductor of the train, sounded a call for the police on the train whistle.

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In the H. A. D. Picnic held June 26th, mention should have been made of the names of the two little girls who executed the Charleston. They are Ruth Silvermond and Bernice Bryan. Also that Mr. Benjamin Shafranek and Miss Sally Hecht who won the Fox Trot.

Mr. and Mrs. Moses A. Rosenberg rejoice at the advent of a daughter, which came on June 16th, 1926, weighing 6½ pounds. They have decided to call her Frances.

Miss Muriel F. Brown is passing the summer at Crystal Springs Camp, Catskill, N. Y. Her mother, Mrs. Agnes C. Brown, will join her late in August, to stay till after Labor Day.

On Saturday, June 19th, accompanied by my hearing guide, Miss Grace Groody, I attended the most delightful birthday party at Mr. and Mrs. John Kansriddle's residence. The party was in honor of Mrs. Kansriddle which they celebrated that night instead of June 21st. We had a very nice feast and there were two big birth cakes. She received several useful presents, among which her youngest son, Alfred, presented her with a lovely blue parasol. She was spellbound and dazzled by the most beautiful big bouquet of pink and white, red and yellow American beauties, which were sent to her in a lovely flower vase by her eldest daughter, Bertha, now Mrs. Theodore Skoutelas. They had some dancing music and singing by the hearing persons. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. John Kansriddle, their youngest son, Alfred, and his friend Mr. James O. Hare, their eldest daughter and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Skoutelas, Mr. and Mrs. J. Toohey and their eldest son, Robert, and his friend, Mr. Pritchard, the chauffeur, Mr. and Mrs. R. Grutzmacher and their dear little boy, Teddy, Mr. and Mrs. O'Brien, Mrs. Thies, Mrs. Braun, Mr. John Maie, Mr. Kahn, Mr. Media, Mr. and Mrs. Zoller, Miss Rebecca Hartz, Miss Williams, Miss Catherine A. McGirr and Groody, Mrs. Rumpf, Mrs. Eschert, Mr. Grady, Mr. Chaimowitz.

Mr. Alexander Dezendorf, of 102 Doscher Street, Brooklyn, a great admirer of Col. Theodore Roosevelt and a strong exponent of the Colonel's doctrines, especially in regard to his advice to the people to raise large families, is again a happy grandfather. His youngest daughter, Virginia, now Mrs. George Schijo, gave birth to a fine baby girl. Both mother and baby are doing fine. Alexander's friends did not recognize him when he emerged from his daughter's home, soon after inspecting the new addition to his family. He had his chest stuck out twice its normal girth, and his head thrown up so high that people thought he would fall backwards. Mrs. Dezendorf is still playing "ping pong," and is still full of pep in spite of her age. Congratulations.

The stork, after delivering one burden at the Dezendorf domicile, flew over to Flatbush, alighting on the roof of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Dyer's home, dropping another little bundle of humanity down their chimney. Their charming daughter, Mildred, now Mrs. Burke, laid claim to the little stranger. So there is much rejoicing in that home. Mother and child are in fine health. Grandpa Dyer says the baby has a fine voice and predicts a brilliant career for her on the stage.

The last business meeting of the Gallaudet College Alumni Association was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. Barnes on the 19th. Mr. O. McIntriff and Mr. John Kirby acted as hosts, bringing enough smokes, bouquets, and ordering enough refreshments to supply twice the number of members present. The meeting turned out such a delightful affair that plans were laid to entertain the deaf public with social affairs in the fall.

Plans were also laid to make various efforts to obtain further funds to meet with the request of the committee of the E. M. G. fund, which set the sum of \$4,000 for the New York State quota. About \$600 has already been collected by our agent, Dr. T. F. Fox. Mrs. Fox has contributed \$50 from the sale of her home-made candy.

The Chapter has now about twenty-two active members and the associate members bring the list up to nearly forty.

Louis Lowenherz, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Lowenherz, was among the hundred graduates of George Washington High School, which held its Commencement on Thursday, June 24th, 1926. The awards made each year to students of this School by the Institute International for "Art" and "Citizenship," the Bossom medal was won by Louis Lowenherz. Next Fall he will enter the University of New York. One of his relatives was so proud of his achievements, that an automobile now testifies to the family appreciation of him.

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Reserves from the Coney Island station arrived too late to catch any of the thugs, so they questioned Stigliabotti's companions.

The deaf-mutes did not know why they were attacked. They gave their names as Paul J. B. Anno, of 650 Clason Avenue, Brooklyn; Anthony Giovanni, of 2774 Coney Island Avenue, Brooklyn; Michael J. Doran, of the Mills Hotel, Thirty-sixth Street, and Walter McKenna, of 503 West Fifty-second Street.

The following was sent by Miss C. McGirr, a blind-deaf girl graduate of Fanwood:

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It was a great pleasure to again meet that young-old man from Pittsburgh, who dropped in the JOURNAL sanctum on the morning of Friday, July 2d, looking still younger than when we saw him two years ago. Of course, we mean Mr. George M. Teegarden, who by the way is killing two birds with only one stone—visiting his daughter, Miss Alice Teegarden, and again looking over the new improvements made and still going on in little old New York, including the new subway now under construction, ditto the new hospital opposite our school, the new Broadway Temple only a few blocks distant, the construction of the new Riverside Drive, fronting our school, and numerous others that makes one wonder. Mr. Teegarden expects to remain with his daughter until August, not in the city, probably in her new bungalow somewhere in Connecticut.

Again this year through the generosity of Mr. Edwin Gould, a member of our Board of Directors, about sixty of our girls, accompanied by tutors of our school, left on Friday morning for two different camps, which are maintained by Mr. Gould. Last year those girls who enjoyed the camp life during July and August were greatly benefited, and we predict that the same good times will be enjoyed this year.

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The lucky boys this year that "set" and "linotype" what goes in the DRAF-MUTES' JOURNAL, are: Butler Atkinson, James Garrick, Hebert Carroll, Perry Schwing, Richard Giordana, Pietro LaBarca, and Abraham Hirson.

Prof. William G. Jones, Gallaudet Class of '76, after teaching at Fanwood fifty years, as before chronicled, has retired on a pension. However, he frequently visits the school. On Saturday, July 3d, he celebrated the fortieth anniversary of his marriage. On the 10th of this month he will be seventy-five years old. He is still healthy and hearty, and his faithful wife is quite active for her years. May they live to round out a century of happy life.

Mrs. Scott C. Runnels and little daughter, Ruth Anne, of Cleveland, O., guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gardner, visited the JOURNAL office Wednesday morning, June 30th.

On Wednesday afternoon, June 30th, Mrs. Charles Fettscher, a graduate of Fanwood, residing at Richmond Hill, L. I., visited the Printing Office, with Miss Becker, of Indiana. Mrs. Fettscher is a cousin of her husband.

Mr. William Schurman, a graduate of '26, visited the Printing Office on Wednesday, June 30th.

Mr. Irving Epstein, graduate of '26, and Cadet Robert Schneider were callers at the Printing Office on Saturday, June 26th.

## OHIO.

News items for this column may be sent to our Ohio News Bureau, care of Mr. A. B. Greener, 993 Franklin Ave., Columbus, Ohio.

June 26, 1926—The last meeting until fall of the Columbus Branch of the N. A. D. was held in the chapel of the school on the evening of the 11th, with an attendance of more than fifty members and visitors.

President Fred Schwartz occupied the chair and Secretary J. B. Arnold did the recording, and after approving the minutes of the last meeting, Treasurer Clum announced the Branch had \$238.81 in bank. He also announced that he was ready to receive local dues, twenty-five cents, and national annual dues, fifty cents from members in arrears.

Some entertainment will be given on the grounds of the school on Labor Day, and Messrs. Elsey, Clum and Mrs. Ohlemacher, were appointed to look after the matter.

On Mr. Showalter's motion, the secretary was requested to express the Branch's condolence over the death of Miss Christina Schwertman, who was a member of the Branch and the N. A. D. to her cousin, Mrs. B. F. Frank, with whom the deceased had made her home for some years.

The Schaub Special train from St. Louis, Pennsylvania Railroad for the N. A. D., reaches Columbus, Sunday at 4 A.M., and Mr. Greener advises those here intending to take that train to arrange for tickets with the local agent early. It is an all Pullman train until it reaches Pittsburgh, where coaches are attached for the remainder of the trip. The Society cleared \$16 from the affair, after paying expenses.

Mrs. Pumphrey and little daughter, of Zanesville, were also there. The two left for home next day, having been in Columbus for over a week visiting The Society.

The Columbus, Ohio, Gallaudet Branch will hold a picnic on the school's grounds July 5th, for the benefit of the E. M. Gallaudet Memorial Fund.

On the same date the Annual Northwest Basket Picnic will be held at Riverside Park, Findlay, Ohio.

July 11th, the Cleveland, Akron and Pennsylvania deaf, combine to hold a picnic at Springfield Lake, near Akron, and promise big doings in the ways of amusements. The deaf around Wapakoneta will have a picnic July 18th, at the county fair grounds and across the state. On same date, those at Youngstown will gather for the same purpose at Slippery Rock Mill Creek Park.

Next comes Canton Division, No. 100, N. F. S. D., and proclaims a picnic for July 31st at Witmer Park, North Canton; and last the 23d annual outing of the Western Deaf Reunion is to be held in the Overlook Park, near West Milton, Ohio. The proceeds go to the Home. With all the above events taking place during the summer, there is no reason why the Ohio cannot have an enjoyable time.

Miss Deborah Evans, aged 65, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. John D. Evans, died at Grant Hospital Saturday, June 26th, of complications resulting from an operation to which she submitted recently.

Miss Evans was for many years connected with the State School for the Deaf, acting in the capacity of assistant matron at that institution, and prior to her position there was with Gallaudet College for the deaf at Washington, D. C. She was a member of the Miami Avenue Presbyterian Church, W. C. T. U., and the Women's Welsh Club.

Funeral services were held from the Miapi Avenue Presbyterian Church Tuesday, June 29th, at 3 p.m., with burial in Green Lawn Cemetery, in charge of the R. E. Jones and Son undertakers.

Mr. Wm. Bowles, 27, rubber worker, Akron, Ohio, was recently wedded to Miss Norma Saatkamp, 22, of Columbus, Ohio, by Rev. C. W. Charles.

The JOURNAL has been supplied with the doings of the Ohio deaf since 1878 by the writer, except for a few years during the eighties. With this letter, he steps down and out. With best wishes to Mr. Edwin Allan Hodgson its able editor and the continued success of the paper.

Miss Bessie M. Edgar and sister, Miss Cloa G. Lamson, Supt. and Matron of the Ohio Home for Deaf, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Chapman, left Tuesday evening, from Cincinnati, for a steamer trip up and down the Ohio River to Pittsburg of a week's length. A card just at hand from Miss Edgar, postmarked Portsmouth, Ohio, June 23d, adds: "Going at full speed."

Mrs. Mary L. Boalt, who for a number of years has been in the Toledo Hospital for the Insane, was run down by a train two weeks ago, and instantly killed. The engineer on seeing her on the track gave the usual warning and did all he could to avoid the accident, but as she was totally deaf it was of no avail.

Miss Boalt entered the Ohio school for Deaf in 1865 and graduated in 1874. Her home was in Huron County, Ohio. She attended the 4th, 5th, and 6th reunions, 1878-1885, and soon after that year came reports that she had been placed in the above hospital. Whether justly or not has been a mooted question by deaf who had visited her there occasionally.

A. B. G.  
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he being honored with a degree of Doctor of Law by Wilmington College, which does not hand such out except for meritorious service. On June 11th, Dr. Jones had previously received the degrees of Master of Arts and Doctor of Letters from Gallaudet College. He has served longer as the head of the Ohio School than any former superintendent. He will have served thirty-one years next August, having held on even though changes were made of superintendents in other institutions because of politics.

Denver Schwartz and Wayne Leba, two of this year's graduating class, it is reported, have passed the entrance examination to Gallaudet College.

The Ladies' Aid Society gave a box social Saturday afternoon and evening, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Neuner, just west of Greenlawn Cemetery. They have a spacious lawn, so there was ample room for the crowd (some fifty or more), to indulge in games, which it did, after making away with the contents of the lunch boxes the male portion bought and shared with the lady whose name was in the receptacle. The games played included picking up a potato with a teaspoon and carrying it to a certain point; dropping the handkerchief and doing some stunts blind-folded. After dark conversation helped to kill time until ten o'clock.

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## ON THE RIVIERA.

NICE, FRANCE, June 9, 1926.  
We wish that we could write to each of our friends at home, particularly those in California, telling them of the many strange sights and impressions which we are enjoying in the Old World.

We did not land in London, May 11th, as originally planned, on account of complications arising from the great coal strike, which was then at its worst. Instead, we disembarked at Boulogne and came direct to Paris.

Our Panama-Pacific voyage from Los Angeles to New York, was most restful and enjoyable, in spite of the terrific heat of the tropics. On our ship, the *Manchuria*, were five other deaf people, all of them young New Yorkers except one, Mr. Robert Lee Floyd, who was going to his home in North Carolina.

We landed in New York April 28th, to find the climate like winter. But this was quickly dispelled by the warm hospitality of the Gotham deaf. Particularly Mr. and Mrs. Kenner, Mr. and Mrs. Lefi, Mrs. Bertha B. Barnes, and Mr. E. Souweine, who saw to it that we had every hour filled with a good time. There is nothing like the way those New Yorkers look after visitors. We were deeply impressed.

That Paris is ancient is obvious at once. The average foreigner who has never been there imagines it a city of immense gaiety and dazzling splendor. The impression is erroneous, as the visitor will soon find. We stayed in Paris three weeks, and are wondering yet just how it is that they claim Paris to be the style center of civilization. Whatever talk there has been that New York or even Los Angeles will yet become the creative style center may yet become true.

But Paris, being 2000 years old, is crowded with the most beautiful of enduring monuments, architecture, sculpture, paintings, and other treasures of greatest historical and art interest. Paris is full of trees. Nearly every avenue and boulevard is lined on each side with great old trees with the thickest and richest of green foliage.

We paid an early visit to the National Institution for the Deaf, in Paris. It is oral, but the pupils use signs freely outside the classroom. The teachers were about all men with mustaches and beards, which well nigh conceal their lips! The Principal was also bearded. He told us that we could become expert lip-readers in three months with such fine teachers as they have in that school, which theory wasn't new to us—such being a part of the propaganda of the usual oral school. We were also told that there are no deaf clubs in Paris, that the school, through speech and lip-reading, "restores all the deaf to society." A few days later we met the deaf celebrity, M. Henri Gaillard, who had just returned from a visit to Spain. He at once informed us that there are at least ten deaf clubs in Paris, and set about to make arrangements for us to enjoy their society. At a dinner party at his home, we met some of the most prominent silent people, among whom was Jose Antonio Terry, of Argentina, South America, President of a deaf association, and a pleasing gentleman to meet. The deaf of France are raising money for a bronze bust of M. Gaillard, in appreciation of his life-long devotion to our cause—work to be done by Hamar, the noted deaf sculptor. They are anxious that Americans who know of Monsieur Gaillard's devotion contribute toward this monument.

We visited Rheims, famous for its great cathedral built in the 10th century, and for its fine champagne. A handful of deaf people there own a fine club house. The famous champagne industry bearing the name Mercier is owned by a deaf man bearing that name. Rheims was almost destroyed during the war. In this vicinity we saw scenes of battle, front line German trenches, safety observation cellar of Von Hindenburg, and several military cemeteries. These burial plots are all in the midst of rich farming districts. The thousands of little white wooden crosses, all of uniform size, appeal to you instantly. You are filled with unspeakable horror and sadness. "The futility of war!" you say—one French cemetery had 12,000 graves. The British cemetery here is a grassy plot, beautifully laid out in shrubs and bright flowers, with a fine masonry wall all around, a great white monumental cross at the farther end, and every cross at graves freshly painted snow-white. Owing to the great financial stress which France is going through, her government has not yet spent lavishly upon the cemeteries of her dead. But no doubt that will come yet, in more prosperous times. For no braver fought more heroically in the late war than the French soldiers. In other parts of France we have seen fine memorials to the war dead.

I was anxious to know if the American cemeteries were so beautifully kept as the British. Accordingly, on Decoration Day, May 30th, we went to Suresnes, the American cemetery nearest to Paris. I thought of the mothers of these brave boys, who are far away in America and who probably can never see their boy's graves. I wanted to do for them what they could not do themselves, so I took beautiful flowers which I thought I would place on the graves marked "Unknown Soldier."

We found every grave decorated by the American Overseas Legion, with

two flags, one French and one United States, with a single sweet pea blossom and a brown wreath made of small palm leaves. A few graves had been remembered by friends or relatives with extra flowers.

We walked over the wet grass searching for "unknown soldiers," could not find any, so we placed our flowers on graves at random. But when we reached the right end farther up the hillside, we found two graves marked "unknown soldier," and the graves of two American nurses—I was sorry then that we had no more lowers. For no friends seemed to remember those brave girls who came to France to serve, to die—perhaps soon to be forgotten.

This American cemetery is high up on a hillside, and commands some of the finest scenery in France. It is not beautifully planned and kept.

We have toured for a month through France. It is a country of the finest scenery, forests, streams, farms, and—all stone and cement houses, with red tile roofs, old Cathedrals, stone walls, and chateaux, and arched bridges, and a country full of ed poppies and other bright wild flowers. We enjoyed the real French dinners, especially those served in the smaller towns. Wine and beer is always a part of dinner. The French can't imagine the Americans drinking water, that is, getting along without vines.

One thing conspicuously missing in France is simplicity. Every thing is decorated one way or the other, literally everything from a stone wall to a kitchen utensil.

There is not much bobbed hair here. One notes it here and there among fashionables and tourists.

There is no movie craze in France in all the cities that we have visited, including Paris, the cinema show is greatly in the minority, in size and quality of theater and in attendance. If I tried to tell the natives of the magnificent movie capital at Hollywood and its many and palatial theaters, they would probably laugh at me. The opera and the spoken drama is the thing here.

Just now we are spending a week on the famous Riviera, Monte Carlo, Nice, Cannes, on the deep blue Mediterranean Sea. This place is so much like California—fine climate and some of the grandest scenery in the world. We go to Italy next, then to Germany, Holland, Belgium, England, and Scotland. We are on the go all the time, but still get plenty of rest. They don't hurry in Europe like they do in America. We cannot express our enjoyment of the educational side of this great trip, which shows us how the other half of the world lives.

MRS. HOWARD L. TERRY.

## Eastern Iowa

This was clipped from Davenport, (Ia) Daily Times May 28th, 1926. They went to Chicago, Ill immediately after their marriage to attend the Silver Jubilee and visit their relatives. They are now making their home at 107½ West 4th, St. Davenport Iowa. The groom has been employed at the French F. Hecht shops for the past twenty years.

JUSTICE EMPLOYS INTERPRETER AS DEAF-MUTES WED

The office of Justice of the Peace Ralph G. Smith of Davenport was the scene of an unusual marriage yesterday afternoon when George Schneider Minnie C. A. Dawartz, both deaf-mutes, were joined in wedlock.

One of their witnesses was employed as an interpreter to converse with Justice Smith and communicate with the two principals in sign language.

Both are residents of Davenport. Mrs. Schneider is the daughter of C. W. Dawartz, 719 West Second street, and has been a deaf-mute since she was two years old.

Mr. Chas. Loughran, 427 East 32d Street, Davenport, Ia., has been overhauling his old Ford touring car for the past two months during his leisure time and now is using it to and from work.

Mr. Theodore Elvert, who has been living in California for five years, came home and spent a month or so with his parents and relatives in Davenport, Ia. He is now working at Rockford, Ill., or somewhere in Illinois.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. P. Nance, of Kenosha, Wis., are the proud parents since June 9th. The stork left a baby-girl at their home. The mother and baby are getting along fine. Congratulations.

Those of Davenport, Ia., who attended the Silver Jubilee, May 29th and 31st last, are Mr. and Mrs. George Schneider, W. A. Nelson and Frank Stacy. All enjoyed the Jubilee immensely.

Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Bradney, and Mrs. Arthur Johnson, of Rock Island, went to Jacksonville, Ill., in the former's Essex coach to attend the Reunion, June 17th to 20th last. A nice time is what they said they enjoyed.

Earl Adams, of Muscatine, Ia., was in Davenport, Ia., June 10th last, to visit his old friends and attended the church services for the deaf.

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### FORTIETH ANNUAL MEETING, AND FORTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

### OF the Pennsylvania Society for the Advancement of the Deaf

The Fortieth Annual Meeting of the Pennsylvania Society for the Advancement of the Deaf will be held in the Chapel of Wissomming Hall, Pennsylvania Institution for the Deaf, Mt. Airy, Philadelphia, Pa., on August 6th, 7th, and 8th, 1926, for the purpose of hearing reports, for the election of four Managers to serve three years in place of the retiring Managers whose terms will expire at this meeting—viz. John A. Roach, William H. Lipsett, Henry Bardes, and Dora M. Hein, and for the transaction of such other business as may come before the Society.

By order of the President.

WARREN M. SMALTZ,  
Secretary.

May 14th, 1926.

### CONVENTION PROGRAM

OPENING MEETING, FRIDAY, AUGUST 6TH, 1926, AT 8:00 P.M.

Invocation.

Address of Welcome—Mr. Joseph H. Burroughs, President of the Pennsylvania Institution for the Deaf.

Address—Mr. Albert A. Gruber, Superintendent of the Pennsylvania Institution for the Deaf.

Response to both Addresses.

President's Annual Address—Mr. Franklin G. Smielau.

Call for the meeting.

Annual Report of the Board of Managers.

Annual Report of the Board of Trustees.

Appointment of Committee.

BUSINESS MEETING, SATURDAY, AUGUST 7TH, 1926, AT 9:00 A.M.

Call to order.

Reading of the Minutes.

Treasurer's Report.

Report of Committee on Nominations.

Election of Four Managers.

Rescue for Reorganization of the Board.

Announcement of Reorganization.

Unfinished Business.

New Business.